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From: Lindsey Smith [<mailto:lmsmi@umich.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 9:03 AM
To: Kelley, Jeff
Cc: Arcaute, Francisco; Rowan, Anne; Sarah Hulett; Cassell, Peter
Subject: Re: Flint water interim report - media request

Thanks Jeff,

I guess my only follow up is - is it fair to assume corrosion control is, in fact, required of large water systems? I did a lot of reading yesterday and from what I can tell, it is. It would be very helpful if one of you can clarify.

Best~

On Mon, Sep 28, 2015 at 5:11 PM, Kelley, Jeff <kelly.jeff@epa.gov> wrote:

Lindsey,

EPA is working to finalize the field report. In the meantime, EPA and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality are working closely with the city of Flint to ensure that residents are provided with safe drinking water. In response to EPA and MDEQ recommendations, Flint has decided to implement corrosion control treatment and will receive EPA technical assistance to help with that effort.

EPA advises everyone across the country to flush their pipes before drawing drinking water to reduce exposure to lead. The more time water has been sitting in your home's pipes, the more lead it may contain. Anytime the water in a particular faucet has not been used

for six hours or longer, “flush” the cold-water pipes by running the water before drinking and remember to use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and preparing baby formula. Flushing times can vary based on the plumbing configuration in the home and whether the home has a lead service line.

Flint residents that are concerned about lead in their drinking water should contact the water utility and may request sampling. Additional information about lead in drinking water is available at: <http://water.epa.gov/drink/contaminants/basicinformation/lead.cfm>.

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Any luck? I colleague is filing for the national network very shortly and we're trying to understand if corrosion control **is** required, as that memo says it is. Best~

On Mon, Sep 28, 2015 at 10:06 AM, Arcaute, Francisco <Arcaute.Francisco@epa.gov> wrote:

Chasing down...

Thanks

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From: Lindsey Smith [mailto:lmismi@umich.edu]
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To: Rowan, Anne
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Subject: Flint water interim report - media request

Hi Anne,

Back in July the ACLU leaked an interim EPA report related to higher than allowable lead levels in the city of Flint. I was told then that because the report had not been finalized, the EPA could not comment on it beyond a written statement.

Curious if that report has been finalized? If not, do you have any idea when it might be? Obviously it's sort of a hot topic again and we've gotten a few inquiries. If it is, could I get a copy of it? Or would I need to FOIA?

All the best,

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